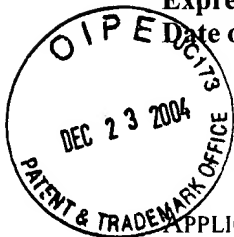


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Response to June 23, 2004 Office Action (8 pgs);
2. Exhibit A (5 pgs);
3. Exhibit B (7 pgs);
4. Exhibit C (2 pgs);
5. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg);
6. Check No. 19828 in the amount of \$1,020.00 for extension fee; and
7. Return Postcard.

Although applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with this submission, the commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to deposit account no. 50-0311, reference no. 24299-517. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

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